

Industry Sheriff's Station

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Press Release

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Classification	:	Industry Station Deputies and Explorers Visit England		Incident Date:	November 19, 2010		
Author / Date / Time:		Deputy Ricardo Rivera 11-09-10 / 11:00 AM		Incident Time:	10:45 PM		
Incident Location:		Los Angeles International Airport (LAX)					
C/P Location:							
Victim(s):			Suspect(s):				

Narrative:

Industry Sheriff's Station deputies and Explorers are excitedly anticipating an overseas journey to London, England, to visit cadets from the English Metropolitan Police. The group will depart for their ten-day international experience from the Los Angeles International Airport on November 19, 2010.

It all began last year, when the deputies and Explorers hosted the English cadets during a visit to the United States and gave them a grand tour of Southern California. They all bonded so well, the English cadets are returning the hospitality and will host the Industry troops on an amazing educational and enriching trip.

The upcoming trip was made possible with the support of deputies, reserve deputies, volunteers, and other supporters of the Industry Sheriff's Station Youth Activities League. It will allow the group of 16 Explorers, who range from 14-21 years of age, to learn first-hand about English law enforcement practices, as well as British culture and history. A total of 33 people, including deputies, reserve deputies, and other Youth Activity League (YAL) supporters, will be travelling abroad. The Explorers' costs are being covered by donations to the YAL.



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The itinerary includes visits to famous and historical sites such as Buckingham Palace, Parliament, Scotland Yard, and Stonehenge. The youths and their chaperones will also enjoy a police boat trip on the Thames River, a visit to the Public Order Training Center to participate in a mock-riot training exercise, and a tour of the British police dog training center. Officer Neill Tully, who supervises the volunteer police cadets in the London suburb of Bromley, arranged all transportation in police vehicles.

Education is a large component of the trip. Each of the travelling Explorers wrote two research reports about two of the locations the group will visit, to learn enough about them that they could serve as tour guides for the group and educate the others about their chosen sites.

Deputy Jim Bickel, Industry Sheriff's Station Explorer Coordinator said, "The YAL has never planned anything like this before with the Explorers. It promises to be a real eye-opener! This trip will give our kids the opportunity to see life outside of the San Gabriel Valley. Some of these kids have never even been on an airplane."

Through the non-profit YAL, the Sheriff's Department provides leadership and mentoring for children and teens, so they can learn to make healthy decisions free of drugs and gangs. The YAL has had a positive influence on thousands of youths and has united the community through the involvement of law enforcement, parents, businesses, education leaders, government officials, and community service groups. The YAL offers a variety of sports programs for youths and attendance at a summer camp called Camp COURAGE.

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The City of Industry Mayor Dave Perez said, "The trip to England promises to be a worthwhile learning experience for the local youths traveling. I'm sure this is one trip these kids will never forget."

The YAL graciously accepts donations. To support our local Explorers, please contact the Industry Sheriff's Station at 626-330-3322 or Sergeant Toni Calton at 626-934-3093.